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DEPT PASS FAA AND NTSB, PARIS AND BRUSSELS FOR FAA

E.O. 11652: N/A
TAGS: EAIR, SP
SUBJECT: CIVAIR - IBERIA AIRLINE ACCIDENT, SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA,
MARCH 3, 1978

1. AT 1625 HOURS GMT, MARCH 3, AN IBERIA SUPER DC-8,
FLIGHT 565, FROM MADRID CRASHED WHILE LANDING AT SANTIAGO
DE COMPOSTELA, SPAIN. INCLUDED AMONG 208 PASSENGERS WAS
MINISTER OF CULTURE CABANILLAS AND SEVERAL LOCAL DEPUTIES
TO CORTES, NONE OF WHOM WERE INJURED. THERE WERE NO
FATALITIES, ALTHOUGH TEN PERSONS ARE HOSPITALIZED, ALL
SPANISH CITIZENS, SOME WITH SERIOUS INJURIES. EMBOFF
TALKED TO IBERIA OFFICE IN SANTIAGO AND WITH CHIEF OF
GALICIA AIR SECTOR AND SANTIAGO AIRPORT, ANTONIO
FERNANDEZ, AND CONFIRMED FACT THAT NO AMERICANS, OR OTHER
FOREIGN NATIONALS, ARE AMONG INJURED.

2. FOLLOWING INFORMATION PER 10FAM521.7 FORMAT:
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A. SUPER DC-8 63, SPANSIH, PMX REGISTRATION;
B. IBERIA, IBERIA, NONE;
C. MARCH 3, 1978, 1624GMT;
D. MADRID; SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA;
E. SANTIAGO DE COMPOSTELA AIRPORT (LABACOLLA); AIRCRAFT
RAN OFF END OF RUNWAY INTO RAVINE ABOUT 10 FEET DEEP;
F. 208 PASSENGERS; SEVEN CREW (EST.); 10 PERSONS

SERIOUSLY INJURED, NO DEATHS AS OF MARCH 4;
G. AIRCRAFT OVERRAN RUNWAY INTO TEN-FOOT RAVINE, BROKE
UP, AND WAS TOTAL LOSS;
H. SPANISH WILL CONDUCT INQUIRY, PROBABLY WILL NOT
REQUEST NTSB ASSISTANCE (PER CIVIL AVIATION DUTY
OFFICER, COL. TORRES);
I. COPY OF REPORT WILL BE REQUESTED.

3. CIVIL AVIATION DUTY OFFICER MARCH 4 (COL. TORRES, WHO
BY COINCIDENCE IS HEAD OF ACCIDENT INVESTIGATION BOARD)
TOLD EMBOFF THAT THERE WAS APPARENT PARTIAL FAILURE OF
AIRCRAFT BRAKES, WHICH COMBINED WITH WET RUNWAY, RESULTED
IN ACCIDENT. HOWEVER, HE STRESSED FACT THIS INITIAL, UN-
OFFICIAL REPORT AND NOT CONCLUSIVE. STABLER

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